

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

JOSEPH W. HIGGINS,

Plaintiff,

V.

CHIEF JUDGE OF THE  
NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT, in  
their official and individual capacity,  
et al.,

Defendants.

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**MEMORANDUM AND ORDER**

Plaintiff, a non-prisoner, filed a Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis. (Filing No. [2](#).) Upon review of Plaintiff's Motion, the court finds that Plaintiff is financially eligible to proceed in forma pauperis.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that leave to proceed in forma pauperis is provisionally granted, and the Complaint shall be filed without payment of fees. Plaintiff is advised that the next step in his case will be for the court to conduct an initial review of his claims to determine whether summary dismissal is appropriate under [28 U.S.C. § 1915\(e\)\(2\)](#). The court will conduct this initial review in its normal course of business.

DATED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

BY THE COURT:

*s/ Richard G. Kopf*  
Senior United States District Judge